

Message

---

**From:** Petersen, Chris [petersen.chris@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 3/21/2019 6:35:52 PM  
**To:** Rauscher, Jon [Rauscher.Jon@epa.gov]; Turner, Philip [Turner.Philip@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** FW: emergency clean up of Class B foam at Deer Park, TX fire site

---

**From:** Libelo, Laurence  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 21, 2019 1:05 PM  
**To:** Meyer, John <Meyer.John@epa.gov>; Petersen, Chris <petersen.chris@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Schlieger, Brian <schlieger.brian@epa.gov>; Fitz-James, Schatzi <Fitz-James.Schatzi@epa.gov>; Gaines, Linda <Gaines.Linda@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** FW: emergency clean up of Class B foam at Deer Park, TX fire site

Hi John and Chris,

Chris Higgins at CO School of Mines forwarded a request for a contact to talk to about PFAS foam at the Deep Park response. I would guess that this should be someone in the Region. Can you please forward it on the proper person?

Thanks

Laurence

=====

E. Laurence Libelo, Ph.D., P.G.  
Chief, Science Policy Branch  
Assessment and Remediation Division  
Office of Superfund Remediation and Technology Innovation  
Office of Land and Emergency Management  
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency  
(703) 603-8815  
Cell (571) 447- 4986

---

**From:** Christopher Higgins [mailto:chiggins@mines.edu]  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 21, 2019 1:50 PM  
**To:** Sonya Lunder <sonya.lunder@sierraclub.org>  
**Cc:** Libelo, Laurence <Libelo.Laurence@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** Re: emergency clean up of Class B foam at Deer Park, TX fire site

Laurence?

On Thu, Mar 21, 2019, 10:58 AM Sonya Lunder <sonya.lunder@sierraclub.org> wrote:

Chris - I am reaching out to get local, state and federal attention to the use of AFFF in the Deer Park Texas emergency response at the chemical fire site. I know it is a stretch but do you have any idea who I could contact at EPA to get attention to the need for emergency containment of the >130,000 gallons of Class B foam used on the site?

Here are two pieces to share:

Houston Chronicle reports 3/19 that >130, 000 gallons of fire fighting foams had been used on site: <https://www.houstonchronicle.com/news/texas/article/The-Latest-No-timeline-for-Texas-chemical-fire-13700161.php>

and this video shows the foam and chemicals seeping into the shipping channel and ultimately Galveston Bay: [https://abc13.com/runoff-from-the-tank-fires-in-deer-park-spark-major-concerns/5208294/?fbclid=IwAR2iFkf6o2q0oTtqijJ-lerRKNZy\\_Yyv2M6h9O5m1tpC74zfQz7rPmwXOel](https://abc13.com/runoff-from-the-tank-fires-in-deer-park-spark-major-concerns/5208294/?fbclid=IwAR2iFkf6o2q0oTtqijJ-lerRKNZy_Yyv2M6h9O5m1tpC74zfQz7rPmwXOel)

--

Sonya Lunder, MPH  
Senior Toxics Policy Advisor  
Gender, Equity & Environment Program  
Sierra Club

[sonya.lunder@sierraclub.org](mailto:sonya.lunder@sierraclub.org)  
o: 303/449-5595, ext. 102  
c: 720/536-8404